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Applicants:

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<u>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME</u>

Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 December 14, 2006

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, Applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit filing a response within a twomonth time period subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding Office Action mailed July 14, 2006. A credit card payment form in the amount of \$450.00 to cover the required fee for the requested extension of time is attached hereto.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (Docket No. 520.35237VX3) and any excess fees credited to that account.

Respectfully submitted,

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